

# Daily Digest

## Senate

### Chamber Action

#### *Routine Proceedings,*

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**Measures Introduced:** Four bills and one resolution were introduced, as follows: S. 2007–2010, and S.J. Res. 31.

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#### **Measures Passed:**

***Supervision Requirements for Outpatient Therapeutic Services:*** Committee on Finance was discharged from further consideration of S. 1954, to provide for the extension of the enforcement instruction on supervision requirements for outpatient therapeutic services in critical access and small rural hospitals through 2014, and the bill was then passed.

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***Mayo Clinic 150th Anniversary:*** Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions was discharged from further consideration of S. Res. 339, commemorating the 150th anniversary of Mayo Clinic, and the resolution was then agreed to.

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#### **Measures Considered:**

**Bipartisan Budget Act—Agreement:** Senate resumed consideration of the motion to proceed to consideration of S. 1963, to repeal section 403 of the Bipartisan Budget Act of 2013.

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During consideration of this measure today, Senate also took the following action:

By a unanimous vote of 94 yeas (Vote No. 26), three-fifths of those Senators duly chosen and sworn, having voted in the affirmative, Senate agreed to the motion to close further debate on the motion to proceed to consideration of the bill.

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A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing for further consideration of the motion to proceed to consideration of the bill at approximately 10 a.m. on Tuesday, February 11, 2014; and that all time during adjournment and recess count post-cloture.

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#### **Appointments:**

***Washington's Farewell Address:*** The Chair, on behalf of the Vice President, pursuant to the order of the Senate of January 24, 1901, as modified by

the order of February 10, 2014, appointed Senator King, of Maine, to read Washington's Farewell Address on Monday, February 24, 2014.

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**Washington's Farewell Address—Agreement:** A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that notwithstanding the resolution of the Senate of January 24, 1901, the traditional reading of Washington's Farewell Address take place on Monday, February 24, 2014, following the prayer and pledge; provided further, that Senator King be recognized to deliver the address.

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**Resignation of Senator Max Baucus:** Senator Max Baucus, of Montana, submitted a letter of resignation from the United States Senate, effective February 6, 2014, in order to prepare for duties as Ambassador to the People's Republic of China.

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**Nominations Received:** Senate received the following nominations:

Robert O. Work, of Virginia, to be Deputy Secretary of Defense.

Mark Green, of Wisconsin, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the Millennium Challenge Corporation for a term of two years.

Cassandra Q. Butts, of the District of Columbia, to be Ambassador to the Commonwealth of The Bahamas.

Matthew T. McGuire, of the District of Columbia, to be United States Executive Director of the International Bank for Reconstruction and Development for a term of two years.

1 Air Force nomination in the rank of general.

2 Army nominations in the rank of general.

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**Record Votes:** One record vote was taken today.  
(Total—26)

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**Adjournment:** Senate convened at 2 p.m. and adjourned at 6:38 p.m., until 10 a.m. on Tuesday, February 11, 2014. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page S856.)

*Committee Meetings*

(Committees not listed did not meet)

No committee meetings were held.

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## House of Representatives

*Chamber Action*

**Public Bills and Resolutions Introduced:** 10 public bills, H.R. 4021–4030; and 1 resolution, H.J. Res. 109 were introduced.

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**Additional Cosponsors:**

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**Reports Filed:** Reports were filed today as follows:

H.R. 2385, to amend the Dodd-Frank Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act to set the rate of pay for employees of the Bureau of Consumer Financial Protection in accordance with the General Schedule (H. Rept. 113–349, Pt. 1) and

H. Res. 475, providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 3193) to amend the Consumer Financial Protection Act of 2010 to strengthen the review authority of the Financial Stability Oversight Council of regulations issued by the Bureau of Consumer Financial Protection, and for other purposes; providing for proceedings during the period from February 13, 2014, through February 24, 2014; and for other purposes (H. Rept. 113–350).

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**Speaker:** Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he appointed Representative Messer to act as Speaker pro tempore for today.

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**Recess:** The House recessed at 12:10 p.m. and reconvened at 2 p.m.

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**Journal:** The House agreed to the Speaker's approval of the Journal by a recorded vote of 241 ayes to 123 noes with 1 answering "present", Roll No. 57.

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**Recess:** The House recessed at 2:05 p.m. and reconvened at 5:30 p.m.

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**Suspensions:** The House agreed to suspend the rules and pass the following measures:

*National Integrated Drought Information System Reauthorization Act:* H.R. 2431, amended, to

reauthorize the National Integrated Drought Information System, by a  $\frac{2}{3}$  ye-and-nay vote of 365 yeas to 21 nays, Roll No. 55 and

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*Supporting the democratic and European aspirations of the people of Ukraine:* H. Res. 447, amended, to support the democratic and European aspirations of the people of Ukraine, and their right to choose their own future free of intimidation and fear, by a  $\frac{2}{3}$  ye-and-nay vote of 381 yeas to 2 nays, Roll No. 56.

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**Quorum Calls—Votes:** Two ye-and-nay votes and one recorded vote developed during the proceedings of today and appear on pages H1697–98, H1698–99 and H1699. There were no quorum calls.

**Adjournment:** The House met at 12 noon and adjourned at 9:30 p.m.

*Committee Meetings***EXAMINING DRUG SHORTAGES AND RECENT EFFORTS TO ADDRESS THEM**

*Committee on Energy and Commerce:* Subcommittee on Health held a hearing entitled "Examining Drug Shortages and Recent Efforts to Address Them". Testimony was heard from Marcia Crosse, Director, Health Care, Government Accountability Office; and Douglas Throckmorton, Deputy Director, Regulatory Programs, Food and Drug Administration.

**CONSUMER FINANCIAL PROTECTION AND SOUNDNESS IMPROVEMENT ACT OF 2013**

*Committee on Rules:* Full Committee held a hearing on H.R. 3193, the "Consumer Financial Protection and Soundness Improvement Act of 2013". The Committee granted, by record vote of 6–4, a structured rule for H.R. 3193. The rule provides one hour of general debate equally divided and controlled by the

chair and ranking minority member of the Committee on Financial Services. The rule waives all points of order against consideration of the bill. The rule makes in order as original text for the purpose of amendment an amendment in the nature of a substitute consisting of the text of Rules Committee Print 113–36 modified by the amendment printed in part A of the Rules Committee report and provides that it shall be considered as read. The rule waives all points of order against that amendment in the nature of a substitute. The rule makes in order only those further amendments printed in part B of the Rules Committee report. Each such amendment may be offered only in the order printed in the report, may be offered only by a Member designated in the report, shall be considered as read, shall be debatable for the time specified in the report equally divided and controlled by the proponent and an opponent, shall not be subject to amendment, and shall not be subject to a demand for division of the question. The rule waives all points of order against the amendments printed in part B of the report. The rule provides one motion to recommit with or without instructions. In section 2, the rule provides that on any legislative day during the period from February 13, 2013, through February 24, 2014: the Journal of the proceedings of the previous day shall be considered as approved; and the Chair may at any time declare the House adjourned to meet at a date and time to be announced by the Chair in declaring the adjournment. In section 3, the rule provides that the Speaker may appoint Members to perform the duties of the Chair for the duration of the period addressed by section 2. In section 4, the rule waives clause 6(a) of rule XIII for a two-thirds vote to consider a report from the Committee on Rules on the same day it is presented to the House with respect to any resolution reported through the legislative day of February 12, 2014, providing for consideration or disposition of a measure relating to the public debt limit. Testimony was heard from Chairman Hensarling and Representative Waters.

## BUSINESS MEETING

*House Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence:* Full Committee held a business meeting on member access requests. This was a closed meeting.

## Joint Meetings

No joint committee meetings were held.

## COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 11, 2014

*(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)*

### Senate

*Committee on Armed Services:* to hold hearings to examine current and future worldwide threats to the national security of the United States; with the possibility of a closed session in SVC–217 following the open session, 9:30 a.m., SD–G50.

*Committee on the Budget:* to hold hearings to examine the budget and economic outlook for fiscal years 2014–2024, 10:30 a.m., SD–608.

*Committee on Foreign Relations:* to hold hearings to examine prospects for Democratic reconciliation and workers' rights in Bangladesh, 10 a.m., SD–419.

*Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions:* to hold hearings to examine the nominations of Christopher P. Lu, of Virginia, to be Deputy Secretary, and Portia Y. Wu, of the District of Columbia, to be Assistant Secretary for Employment and Training, both of the Department of Labor, 10 a.m., SD–430.

*Committee on the Judiciary:* to hold hearings to examine the nominations of Robin S. Rosenbaum, of Florida, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Eleventh Circuit, Bruce Howe Hendricks, to be United States District Judge for the District of South Carolina, Mark G. Mastroianni, to be United States District Judge for the District of Massachusetts, and Leslie Ragon Caldwell, of New York, to be an Assistant Attorney General, Department of Justice, 9 a.m., SD–226.

*Select Committee on Intelligence:* to hold closed hearings to examine certain intelligence matters, 2:30 p.m., SH–219.

### House

*Committee on Armed Services,* Full Committee, hearing entitled “United States Security Policy and Defense Posture in the Middle East”, 10 a.m., 2118 Rayburn.

*Committee on the Budget,* Full Committee, markup on H.R. 1872, the “Budget and Accounting Transparency Act of 2014”; and H.R. 1869, the “Biennial Budgeting and Enhanced Oversight Act of 2014”, 10 a.m., 210 Cannon.

*Committee on Education and the Workforce,* Subcommittee on Education and Workforce Training, hearing entitled “Serving Seniors Through the Older Americans Act”, 10 a.m., 2175 Rayburn.

*Committee on Energy and Commerce,* Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations, hearing entitled “Department of Energy Oversight: Status of Clean Coal Programs”, 10 a.m., 2123 Rayburn.

*Committee on Financial Services,* Full Committee, hearing entitled “Monetary Policy and the State of the Economy”, 10 a.m., 2128 Rayburn.

*Committee on Foreign Affairs,* Subcommittee on African, Global Health, Global Human Rights, and International Organizations, hearing entitled “The Worldwide Persecution of Christians”, 10 a.m., 2172 Rayburn.

*Committee on Homeland Security,* Subcommittee on Emergency Preparedness, Response, and Communications,

hearing entitled “Bioterrorism: Assessing the Threat”, 10 a.m., 311 Cannon.

Subcommittee on Counterterrorism and Intelligence, hearing entitled “Al Qaeda’s Expansion in Egypt: Implications for U.S. Homeland Security”, 2:30 p.m., 311 Cannon.

*Committee on the Judiciary*, Subcommittee on Regulatory Reform, Commercial and Antitrust Law, hearing on H.R., the “Searching for and Cutting Regulations that are Unnecessarily Burdensome Act of 2014”, 1 p.m., 2141 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Immigration and Border Security, hearing entitled “Asylum Fraud: Abusing America’s Compassion?”, 10 a.m., 2141 Rayburn.

*Committee on Oversight and Government Reform*, Full Committee, business meeting to consider the following legislation: H.R. 4011, the “Alaska Bypass Fair Competition Act of 2014”; H.R. 3308, the “Taxpayer Transparency Act of 2013”; and H.R. 2804, the “All Economic Regulations are Transparent Act of 2013”, 9 a.m., 2154 Rayburn.

Full Committee, hearing entitled “DC Navy Yard Shooting: Fixing the Security Clearance Process”, 10 a.m., 2154 Rayburn.

*Committee on Science, Space, and Technology*, Subcommittee on the Environment, hearing entitled “Ensuring Open Science at EPA”, 10 a.m., 2318 Rayburn.

Committee on Small Business, Full Committee, hearing entitled “Building on the Wireless Revolution: Opportunities and Barriers for Small Firms”, 1 p.m., 2360 Rayburn.

*Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure*, Full Committee, markup on H.R. 3676, the “Prohibiting In-Flight Voice Communications on Mobile Wireless Devices Act of 2013”; General Services Administration Capital Investment and Leasing Program Resolutions; H.R. 1378, to designate the United States courthouse located at 333 West Broadway in San Diego, California, as the “James M. Carter and Judith N. Keep United States Courthouse”; H.R. 4005, the “Coast Guard and Maritime Transportation Act of 2014”; and other matters cleared for consideration, 10 a.m., 2167 Rayburn.

*Committee on Ways and Means*, Full Committee, markup on H.R. 3865, the “Stop Targeting of Political Beliefs by the IRS Act of 2014”, 10:15 a.m., 1100 Longworth.

## CONGRESSIONAL PROGRAM AHEAD

Week of February 11 through February 14, 2014

### Senate Chamber

On *Tuesday*, at approximately 10 a.m., Senate will continue consideration of the motion to proceed to consideration of S. 1963, Bipartisan Budget Act.

During the balance of the week, Senate may consider any cleared legislative and executive business.

### Senate Committees

*(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)*

*Committee on Armed Services*: February 11, to hold hearings to examine current and future worldwide threats to the national security of the United States; with the possibility of a closed session in SVC-217 following the open session, 9:30 a.m., SD-G50.

February 13, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine the nominations of Robert O. Work, to be Deputy Secretary, and Michael J. McCord, of Ohio, to be Under Secretary (Comptroller), both of the Department of Defense, 9:30 a.m., SD-G50.

*Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs*: February 13, to hold hearings to examine semiannual Monetary Policy Report to Congress, 10:30 a.m., SD-538.

*Committee on the Budget*: February 11, to hold hearings to examine the budget and economic outlook for fiscal years 2014–2024, 10:30 a.m., SD-608.

*Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation*: February 13, Subcommittee on Surface Transportation and Merchant Marine Infrastructure, Safety, and Security, to hold hearings to examine enhancing our rail safety, focusing on current challenges for passenger and freight rail, 2:30 p.m., SR-253.

*Committee on Energy and Natural Resources*: February 12, Subcommittee on Energy, to hold an oversight hearing to examine lessons for Federal policy from state efficiency and renewable programs, 2:30 p.m., SD-366.

February 13, Full Committee, business meeting to consider the nominations of Rhea Sun Suh, of Colorado, to be Assistant Secretary for Fish and Wildlife, and Janice Marion Schneider, of New York, to be Assistant Secretary for Land and Minerals Management, both of the Department of the Interior, 10 a.m., SD-366.

*Committee on Environment and Public Works*: February 12, to hold hearings to examine Moving Ahead for Progress in the 21st Century (MAP-21) reauthorization, focusing on the economic importance of maintaining Federal investments in our transportation infrastructure, 10 a.m., SD-406.

*Committee on Foreign Relations*: February 11, to hold hearings to examine prospects for Democratic reconciliation and workers’ rights in Bangladesh, 10 a.m., SD-419.

February 12, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine fisheries treaties and Port State Measures Agreements, 2:30 p.m., SD-419.

February 13, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine Syria spillover, focusing on the growing threat of terrorism and sectarianism in the Middle East, 11:30 a.m., SD-419.

February 13, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine the nominations of Joseph William Westphal, of New York, to be Ambassador to the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia, Douglas Alan Silliman, of Texas, to be Ambassador to the State of Kuwait, and Mark Gilbert, of Florida, to be Ambassador to New Zealand, and to serve concurrently and without additional compensation as Ambassador to the Independent State of Samoa, all of the Department of State, 2 p.m., SD-419.

*Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions:* February 11, to hold hearings to examine the nominations of Christopher P. Lu, of Virginia, to be Deputy Secretary, and Portia Y. Wu, of the District of Columbia, to be Assistant Secretary for Employment and Training, both of the Department of Labor, 10 a.m., SD-430.

February 13, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine how a fair minimum wage will help working families succeed, 10 a.m., SD-430.

*Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs:* February 12, to hold hearings to examine extreme weather events, focusing on the costs of not being prepared, 10 a.m., SD-342.

February 13, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine the intelligence community, focusing on keeping watch over its contractor workforce, 10 a.m., SD-342.

*Committee on Indian Affairs:* February 12, to hold an oversight hearing to examine the Indian Law and Order Commission Report, focusing on a roadmap for making Native America safer, 2:30 p.m., SD-628.

*Committee on the Judiciary:* February 11, to hold hearings to examine the nominations of Robin S. Rosenbaum, of Florida, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Eleventh Circuit, Bruce Howe Hendricks, to be United States District Judge for the District of South Carolina, Mark G. Mastroianni, to be United States District Judge for the District of Massachusetts, and Leslie Ragon Caldwell, of New York, to be an Assistant Attorney General, Department of Justice, 9 a.m., SD-226.

February 12, Full Committee, to hold an oversight to examine the report of the Privacy and Civil Liberties Oversight Board on Reforms to the Section 215 telephone records program and the Foreign Intelligence Surveillance Court, 10 a.m., SD-226.

February 13, Full Committee, business meeting to consider S. 1675, to reduce recidivism and increase public safety, S. 149, to provide effective criminal prosecutions for certain identity thefts, and the nominations of Steven Paul Logan, John Joseph Tuchi, Diane J. Humetewa,

Rosemary Marquez, Douglas L. Rayes, and James Alan Soto, all to be a United States District Judge for the District of Arizona, 10 a.m., SD-226.

*Committee on Rules and Administration:* February 12, to hold hearings to examine bipartisan support for improving United States elections, focusing on an overview from the Presidential Commission on Election Administration, 10 a.m., SR-301.

February 12, Full Committee, business meeting to consider the nominations of Thomas Hicks, of Virginia, and Myrna Perez, of Texas, both to be a Member of the Election Assistance Commission, 10:30 a.m., SR-301.

*Committee on Small Business and Entrepreneurship:* February 12, with the Special Committee on Aging, to hold a joint hearing to examine the challenges and advantages of senior entrepreneurship, 10 a.m., SD-562.

February 12, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine the nomination of Maria Contreras-Sweet, of California, to be Administrator of the Small Business Administration, 10:30 a.m., SR-428.

*Select Committee on Intelligence:* February 11, to hold closed hearings to examine certain intelligence matters, 2:30 p.m., SH-219.

February 13, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine the nomination of John P. Carlin, of New York, to be an Assistant Attorney General, Department of Justice, 2:30 p.m., SD-138.

*Special Committee on Aging:* February 12, with the Committee on Small Business and Entrepreneurship, to hold a joint hearing to examine the challenges and advantages of senior entrepreneurship, 10 a.m., SD-562.

### House Committees

*Committee on Armed Services,* February 12, Full Committee, hearing "Overcoming Obstacles in Acquisition Reform", 10 a.m., 2118 Rayburn.

*Committee on Homeland Security,* February 12, Full Committee, hearing entitled "The Secretary's Vision for the Future—Challenges and Priorities", 9 a.m., 311 Cannon.

*Next Meeting of the SENATE*

10 a.m., Tuesday, February 11

*Next Meeting of the HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES*

10 a.m., Tuesday, February 11

## Senate Chamber

**Program for Tuesday:** Senate will continue consideration of the motion to proceed to consideration of S. 1963, Bipartisan Budget Act.

At 12:15 p.m., Senator-designate John Walsh from Montana will be sworn in.

*(Senate will recess from 12:30 p.m. until 2:15 p.m. for their respective party conferences.)*

## House Chamber

**Program for Tuesday:** Begin consideration of H.R. 3193—Consumer Financial Protection Safety and Soundness Improvement Act (Subject to a Rule).

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